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1. HAIG HAS TELEPHONED ME ABOUT THE DISCUSSIONS IN NATO. A HEALTHY COMDEMNATORY RESOLUTION IS UNDER CONSIDERATION. HE HAD HEARD TO HIS HORROR THAT SOME QUOTE CLOWN UNQUOTE IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAD SENT OUT INSTRUCTIONS CAUTIONING AGAINST TOO TOUGH LANGUAGE FOR FEAR THAT THIS MIGHT INTERFERE WITH THE PEACE PROCESS.

2. AS SOON AS HE HAD HEARD THIS, HAIG HAD COUNTERMANDED THE INSTRUCTION SAYING THAT THE US SHOULD GO ALONG WITH THE FIRMEST LANGUAGE POSSIBLE.

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